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NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The undertone on whole turkeys steady to fully steady with hens in the strongest position. Light sales reported in the midwest at steady price levels. Trading for parts and meats slow. The undertone for destrapped tenderloins and tom breast meat weak. Thigh meat about steady on balanced to available inventories. Supplies of 4-8 lb. breast very tight and the market firm.

EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

Trading and demand light. Trading light with most interest to the border and Russia on drums and thigh meat.

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/			OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/	
					WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	77-81	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	77-79	79	79.00	400	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	77-79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	71-76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	70-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	71-74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 13 OCTOBER 1999.

Supplies of 4-8 pound breasts were very tight, market firm. Trading on bulk meats was light. Trade sentiment on breast meat was soft, thigh meat was about steady. Parts were tight and buyers had to search for full cut wings. Export trading was fair on tom drums and thigh meat, otherwise no new negotiations were reported.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	110.00		110.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		R	149.00	40
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	105.00	200
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		F	20.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH				
DRUMSTICKS, HEN				
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	24.00		24.00	15
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	23.00		23.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	29.00	16
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		R	57.00	20
NECKS, TOM	18.00		18.00	40
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	154.00		154.00	30
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	170.00	20
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	61.00		61.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		R	75.00	3
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	170.00	40
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	57.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		W	20.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	20.00		20.00	40
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	20.00		20.00	320
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM				
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	59.50		59.50	160

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted. 3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY,
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS**

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	97-101
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	97-101
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	83-85
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	78-84
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	79-87

**SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY
DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	88-98
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	87-98
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	87-98
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	88-98
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	90-104

**BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 10/13/99
POULTRY HEALTH BOARD**

SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDERS
1999-2000	15,198	71,601	71,701
1998-1999	-	117,313	117,313

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